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MONEY ORDER THROUGH MOBILE PHONES
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the various mobile operators and private mobile companies and GSM Association have started a pilot project jointly for sending money order through mobile phones;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has taken any steps to introduce such schems through BSNL and MTNL; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

(a) & (b) At the recent 3G World Congress held in Barcelona in February, 2007, the GSM Association launched its mobile Money Transfer project. This is a global GSM Association project and Cellular Operators Association of India (COAI), which represents all the GSM operators in India is a part of the Project Working Group.

(c) & (d) There is no proposal at present to introduce such schemes through BSNL and MTNL.